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I don't think there is any safe limit for PCBs and toxins to be released into our rivers. We should be trying to minimize their concentration rather than loosening limits on how much of this toxic pollution can be released into our environment. I do not agree with the proposed variances because they allow dischargers to dump far more than the legal limit for pollution into our rivers and avoid established pollution limits that were put in place to protect the health of everyone and everything that relies on the rivers.

Please include a clean-up plan that holds all polluters responsible, for example, a plan that includes a "Total Maximum Daily (pollution) Load". This kind of plan will pin pollution dischargers to pollution limits for the entire river. Polluters should also be put on 10 year compliance schedules to clean their pollution up.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement does not explore the impacts of stalling the timelines to meet state pollution standards. Please look into this in more detail.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement needs to address a "no discharge" alternative that explores the impacts of getting all pollution out of the Spokane River.

More actions are needed to reduce and remove PCB toxins from waste water; this needs to be included in the "Pollution Minimization Plans".

There needs to be an increase in the reporting and accountability inside the variances. Every discharger should be mandated to finding and reporting on technology that could be used to destroy/breakdown toxins in their pollution discharge.